

Ghetto Burbs (feat. Emanny)

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Always had big dreams
Everybody had big dreams though
I ain't never wanna stay here, I had no intentions
I never had no plans Live my life
Gotta know how to survive
Just can't hide
These streets eat you alive
Ghetto burbs
Cause I'm from two different worlds
Ghetto burbs
Comin' from the ghetto burbs
Ghetto burbs, I'm from the ghetto of Jerz'
From where the pedal was served, use hand gestures for words
Big-up to LA, they was ahead of the curve
My hood we gangbang, you could get left on the curb
Yep, I was raised here, but I'm tryin' to export
Police is crooked, the strippers is escorts
Like my homie Layla, really I can't knock her
She gettin' paper, month ago she was knocked up
Baby-daddy a dope-boy, ? was locked up
But he on the same shift, fucked around and got shot up
In my same mind, I'm like why he even bother?
At the same time don't know what he was a part of
Layla over the casket, tears comin' harder
The hood wins again, another son with no father
Gotta take it in stride, 'round here it's the usual
But I ain't accustomed, that shit I can't get used to
I'm tryin' to survive
Live my life
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Comin' from the ghetto burbs Ghetto burbs, I'm from the ghetto of Jerz'
From where the ghetto's disturbed, you could be dead in a herse
Say a prayer daily and end it with better or worse
I lost faith, but grandma still keep her head up in church
Murder is sky-high, employment is real low
Little kid try to rap, but will he get a deal? No
Poverty kills slow, believe is beyond you

7 out of ever 10 bitches here got the monster
Like my little homie Tanya, I met her at Freaknik's
Freak shit, the same bitch them niggas be all out in the streets with
Open, in love with the service
But she got resentments you won't see from the surface
Feel like so many women look right so she worship
Caught AIDSs from rape, thought her whole life was worthless
Ho couldn't know how gorgeous her curves is
Fuckin' 'em raw and hope to catch it on purpose
Better surviveLive my life
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Comin' from the ghetto burbsGhetto burbs, I'm from the ghetto of Jerz'
I ain't tryin' to act like my part of the ghetto's the worst
Niggas is tricks here, they'll buy stilettos for birds
How did I get here? Act like the metal don't hurt
You just gettin' high, guess they tryin' to escape it
Or commit suicide assumin' they couldn't take it
The streets is cold, still we run around naked
Success is a void and we replace it with hatred
That's your homie from way back, from so many years old
But friends turn green, even ?
You think he cared? No, y'all used to share clothes
Now you struggle for rent and he got ice in his earlobes
Your man won't even extend a hand even though his career gold
You need a whole 'nother plan, your career's froze
Valuables are more valuable than everything even valued to dude
But you gotta surviveLive my life
Gotta know how to survive
Just can't hide
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Ghetto burbs
Cause I'm from two different worlds
Ghetto burbs
Comin' from the ghetto burbsComin' from this ghetto burb
Comin' from the ghetto babe
Gotta know how to survive, streets eat you alive
Comin' from the ghetto burbs
Said the streets eat you alive, alive, yeah

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